

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3331
ANSWERED ON:11.12.2002
INVITATION TO DEFENCE MINISTER
GANGASANDRA SIDDAPPA BASAVARAJ

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any invitation has been extended to the Defence Minister by China to visit that country;
- (b) if so, whether India has accepted the invitation; and
- (c) if so, the issues likely to be taken up for discussion?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Yes.
- (c) Dates for the visit and the agenda for discussions will be settled through diplomatic channels.